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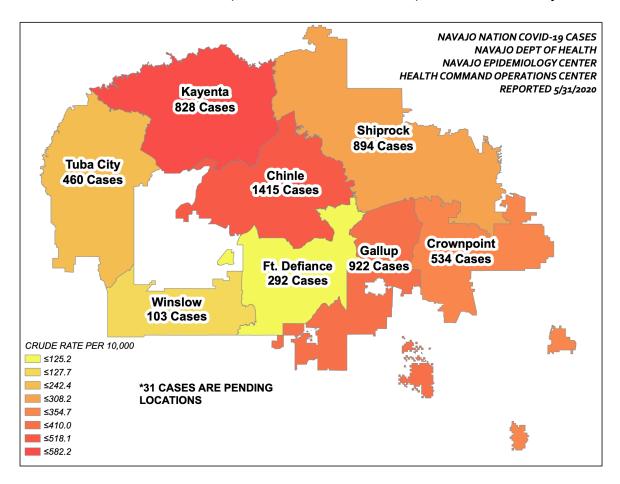
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## 131 new cases of COVID-19, two more deaths and 1,920 recoveries reported



**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – The Navajo Department of Health in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service reported 131 new cases of COVID-19 for the Navajo Nation. The total number of deaths has reached 248 as of Monday. Preliminary reports from nine health care facilities indicate that approximately 1,920 individuals have recovered from COVID-19, with more reports still pending. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation has reached 5,479.

Navajo Nation cases by Service Unit:

Crownpoint Service Unit: 534
Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 292
Gallup Service Unit: 922
Kayenta Service Unit: 828
Shiprock Service Unit: 894
Tuba City Service Unit: 460

Winslow Service Unit: 103

• Chinle Service Unit: 1,415

\*31 residences are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit

"The number of cases and recoveries illustrates that we are still fighting the battle against COVID-19 on the Navajo Nation. Today is also Navajo Nation Treaty Day, which recognizes and honors the strength and resiliency of our ancestors and past leaders. We have to remind ourselves that we can overcome this hardship by working and praying together. We ask our citizens to continue to practice safety measures, such as washing our hands, wearing our face masks, maintaining a distance of six feet from others, and obeying all public health orders. Please take care of one another," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

On Monday, the Nez-Lizer Administration delivered food, water, clothing, protective masks, and more essential items to 620 Navajo families in Lake Valley, Becenti, Standing Rock, and Twin Lakes, N.M.

"Continue to stay home, practice social distancing, and pray, and the numbers will decrease gradually. Now, it is time to remember that we need to come together with kindness and hope to protect our families and communities. Together, we can engage in an impressive act of community service and collaboration to overcome this pandemic," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including reports, helpful prevention tips, and more resources, please visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website at http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. To contact the primary Navajo Health Command Operations Center, please call (928) 871-7014.

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